## **FISCAL NOTE**

TO: Chief Clerk of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

FROM: James A. Davenport, Executive Director

DATE: March 23, 1995

SUBJECT: **HB 1811 - SB 1800** 

This bill, if enacted, will authorize the Governor to enter into the Southern Regional Emergency Management Assistance Compact by and between participating states, to provide mutual assistance between the states entering this compact in managing any emergency or disaster that is duly declared by the Governor of the affected state, whether arising from natural disaster, technological hazard, man-made disaster, civil emergency aspects of resource shortages, community disorders, insurgency or enemy attacks.

Further, each party state shall provide for the payment of compensation and death benefits to injured members of the emergency forces of that state and representatives of deceased members of such forces in case such members sustain injuries or are killed while rendering aid pursuant to this compact, in the same manner and on the same terms as if the injury or death were sustained within their own state.

Any party state rendering aid in another state shall be reimbursed by the party state receiving such aid for any loss or damages to or expense incurred in the operation of any equipment and the provisions of any service in answering a request for aid and for the cost incurred in connection with such requests; provided, that any aiding party state may assume in whole or in part such loss, damage, expense, or other cost, or may loan such equipment or donate such services to the receiving party without charge or costs; and provided further, that any two or more party states may enter into supplementary agreements establishing a different allocation of costs among these states.

The fiscal impact from enactment of this bill is estimated to be an increase in state expenditures. Since it is not known when Tennessee would be requested to assist another state in an emergency or disaster condition and expenditures would be reimbursed as agreed by the party state, the amount of such increase cannot be reasonably determined but is estimated to be not significant.

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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